

# ARKANSAS BROILER HATCHERY



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## ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS DOWN 2 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

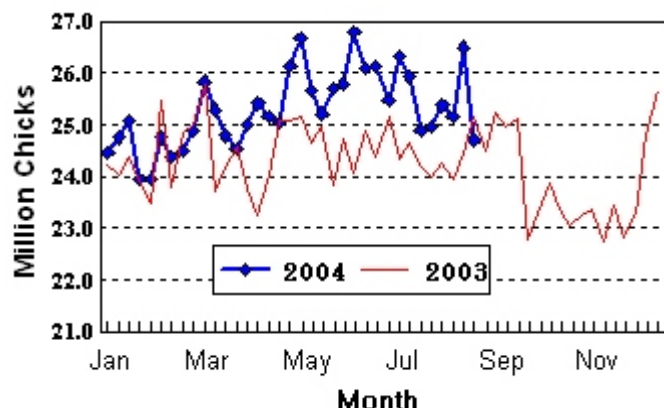
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas was 24.7 million during the week ending August 28, 2004. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week in 2003, and down 7 percent from the revised previous week, and included 2.6 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2003 through August 28, 2004 were 886.1 million, up 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type chicks hatched for the week was 26.0 million, up 2 percent from the corresponding week a year earlier, but down 1 percent from the revised previous week. Of the total hatch, 3.7 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 82.4 percent.

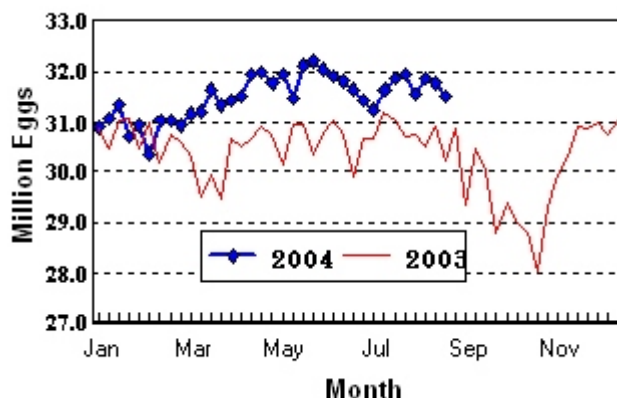
Arkansas hatcheries set 31.5 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending August 28, 2004, up 4 percent from the same period last year, but down 1 percent from the revised previous week.

Week Ending	NET PLACEMENTS			CHICKS HATCHED			EGGS SET		
	2003	2004	% Change	2003	2004	% Change	2003	2004	% Change
	<i>1,000</i>			<i>1,000</i>			<i>1,000</i>		
Jul. 24	24,179	24,888	103	25,245	25,985	103	31,054	31,896	103
Jul. 31	24,022	24,993	104	25,150	25,654	102	31,749	31,944	104
Aug. 7	24,252	25,396	105	25,555	25,964	102	30,785	31,552	102
Aug. 14	23,973	25,208	105	25,442	26,148	103	30,529	31,870	104
Aug. 21	24,485	26,539	108	25,399	26,298	104	30,884	31,803	103
Aug. 28	25,172	24,738	98	25,387	25,982	102	30,223	31,540	104

CHICKS PLACED IN ARKANSAS, 2003-2004



EGGS SET, 2003 - 2004



# **BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 19 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2004**

STATE	EGGS SET (in Thousands)					CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
	Week Ending				1/ %	Week Ending						1/ %
	07-Aug	14-Aug	21-Aug	28-Aug		24-Jul	31-Jul	07-Aug	14-Aug	21-Aug	28-Aug	
Alabama	30,390	30,144	30,158	30,106	103	22,328	21,781	21,273	21,752	21,526	21,657	102
ARKANSAS	31,552	31,870	31,803 *	31,540	104	24,888	24,993	25,396	25,208	26,539 *	24,738	98
Delaware	3,747	3,694	3,773 *	3,693	96	4,987	5,172	5,056	5,018	4,912 *	5,241	99
Florida	1,339 *	1,353	1,348	1,339	99	1,221	1,419	1,447	1,589	1,467	1,313	73
Georgia	34,319	33,656	33,535	33,490	103	27,041	25,624	27,056	26,398	26,884	27,493	105
Kentucky	7,437	7,261	7,073 *	7,314	105	6,057	6,249	6,008	6,216	6,397 *	6,465	111
Louisiana	3,923	3,923	3,923	3,968	108	4,009	3,733	3,625	3,674	3,719	3,914	109
Maryland	8,895	8,885	8,886 *	8,879	96	5,984	5,375	5,998	5,743	6,119 *	5,880	103
Mississippi	19,831	19,845	19,713	18,790	103	17,203	17,064	17,006	17,570	17,179	17,055	105
N. Carolina	17,467 *	18,069	18,122	17,651	106	13,789	14,887	14,982	14,724	14,629 *	14,135	102
Oklahoma	6,913	6,485	6,739	6,478	102	5,905	4,880	4,935	5,121	4,926	4,693	109
Pennsylvania	3,655	3,669 *	3,963	3,850	108	2,808	2,844	2,923	2,822 *	2,929	2,677	97
S. Carolina	3,978	4,132	3,856	4,131	89	3,815	4,799	4,603	4,160	4,661	4,242	106
Texas	15,512	15,427	15,260	15,302	105	12,631	12,719	12,871	12,874	12,702	12,872	108
Virginia	6,665	6,579	6,572	6,612	104	5,428	5,638	5,256	5,380	5,209	5,197	98
CA,MO,TN,WV	17,582 *	17,746 *	17,797 *	17,231	110	15,501	15,634 *	16,088 *	16,468 *	15,870 *	17,315	108
Total 2004	213,205 *	212,738 *	212,521 *	210,374		173,595	172,811 *	174,523 *	174,717 *	175,668 *	174,887	
Total 2003	206,725	205,371	205,998	203,135		167,909	167,589	170,090	169,515	169,295	169,271	
%Prev. Year	103	104	103	104		103	103	103	103	104	103	
Approximate Marketing Date 2004.....						11-Sep	18-Sep	25-Sep	02-Oct	09-Oct	16-Oct	

\* Revised . 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

## **EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES UP 4 PERCENT**

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-state weekly program set 210 million eggs during the week ending August 28, 2004. This was up 4 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## **BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 3 PERCENT**

Broiler growers in the 19-state weekly program placed 175 million chicks for meat production during the week ending August 28, 2004. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 28, 2003 through August 28, 2004 were 6.03 billion, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.